

Information Products Bulletin

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The Information Products Bulletin (IPB) is a joint effort between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) to inform the public about "*significant information products*" being developed by EPA and some states, and identify opportunities for stakeholder and public involvement. "*Significant information products*" include products under development or modification by EPA and states, that use national or regional data to describe environmental conditions, trends, and/or the performance of companies, facilities and communities.

The products described below have been completed and released since the publication of the Interim Information Products Bulletin.

Cross-Media

2006 Sector Strategies Performance Report

Federal vs. State: Federal

Description: Launched in 2003, the Sector Strategies Program promotes industry-wide environmental gains through innovative partnerships with 12 manufacturing and service sectors. Through this collaborative, voluntary partnership, EPA is working with sector trade groups and other stakeholders to reduce pollution and conserve resources, and to measure corresponding performance results through quantitative metrics. During the first year of the Sector Strategies Program, EPA looked back on each sector's environmental progress to date in order to set the stage for further performance enhancements. There were also discussions with sector partners to identify additional opportunities for environmental performance improvements. Key environmental opportunities identified through research and discussions form the basis for this report. The purpose of this report is multi-fold: to profile each sector, highlighting industry statistics and trends, typical processes and operations, and trade group partners; to describe and, where possible, to measure environmental progress to date, focusing on performance trends over the past 10 years; and to identify opportunities - both in the near term as well as over the next decade (or longer) - for continued environmental improvement. EPA used available emissions and resource data, performance indicators, and/or case studies to provide a snapshot of environmental progress in each sector. Case studies, in particular, illustrate the kinds of innovative operational and measurement activities that might be adopted by the entire sector. In many cases, sector commitments are further demonstrated through their active membership in one or more relevant public-private partnerships, such as the National Environmental Performance Track. Over time, EPA will update performance information and measure sector gains.

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Fourth Annual Performance Track Progress Report

Federal vs. State: Federal

Description: The Fourth Annual Performance Track Progress Report is primarily an update of environmental results achieved by members since the last progress report published. Updated information on member locations, the program structure, criteria, achievements, and incentives is also included. The purpose of this publication is to demonstrate how Performance Track members achieve not only the strategic goals across media but also those that extend above and beyond what can be accomplished through regulation.

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How to Access Draft Product: www.epa.gov/performance-track/pubs.htm

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency FY 2005 Performance and Accountability Report

Federal vs. State: Federal

Description: EPA's 7th performance report under the Government Performance and Results Act assesses Agency performance results against annual performance goals for FY 2005 and progress towards EPA's strategic goals. The report also discusses FY 2005 performance against previous FY performance, as relevant to understanding annual accomplishments and progress longer-term. EPA's FY 2005 Performance and Accountability Report incorporates reporting information required by other management statutes (i.e., Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act; Inspector General Act Amendments; Chief Financial Officers Act) for management integrity, audit follow-up, and audited financial statements.

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How to Access Draft Product: www.epa.gov/ocfo/finstatement/2005par/index.htm

Enforcement and Compliance

Comparative Report for FY 1998-2005 on Region 5 Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) and Injunctive Relief

Federal vs. State: Federal

Description: DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PRODUCT IS INDEFINITELY ON HOLD

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Region 5 Office of Regional Counsel Fact Sheet on Enforcement Results from FY2001 - 2005

Federal vs. State: Federal

Description: This updated report will consist of a written component and an associated chart. The written portion will discuss, in aggregate, the trends from 1998-2003 in the penalties assessed for violations of the following Acts: Clean Air Act; Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; Clean Water Act; Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act; Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; Safe Drinking Water Act; and Toxic Substances Control Act. The written section of the report will then analyze trends in the penalty assessments for violations of each of the acts individually.

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Solid Waste and Emergency Response

Landview 6

Federal vs. State: Federal

Description: Landview 6 is a multi-Agency (EPA, USGS, NOA & Census Bureau) "Community Right-to-Know" software tool that presents environmental information to local decision makers and the public. It provides database extracts from the EPA, the Bureau of Census, the U.S. Geological Survey, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Department of Transportation, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. These databases are presented in a geographic context on maps that contain jurisdictional boundaries, detailed networks of roads, rivers, and railroads, and other landmark features. LandView software performs display, query, and analysis of maps and data.

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How to Access Draft Product: landview.census.gov